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The Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: WT Docket No. 11-65. In the Matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or Transfer Control of licenses and Authorizations.

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

I am writing to share my support for the merger between AT&T and T-Mobile, which will result in more mobile broadband coverage throughout Louisiana.

The availability of mobile broadband is a critical component to drawing in new businesses and growing the ones already in our state. With this merger, Louisiana communities and businesses, especially in our rural areas, will be able to participate and compete even more in the global economy. More than half of Louisiana's parishes are considered rural, and the expansion of technology here will help spur both innovation and economic development in areas that need it the most.

Job creation has been a major focus of my administration and I support any efforts that aid our state in moving forward. Adding mobile broadband capacity will help create more opportunities for Louisianians—Louisianians who will not have to leave our state to secure a great education or find a rewarding career.

AT&T has a strong track record in Louisiana. From 2008 to 2010, AT&T invested \$2.8 billion in its wireline and wireless networks in Louisiana. Network enhancements like these benefit countless consumers while making our state an attractive place to work, live, and play.

I am confident that this merger will benefit the people of Louisiana.

Sincerely,

Bobby Jindal  
Governor